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### Press Release

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### Postal Food Drive donations help the Macomb Food Program feed the hungry

**Clinton Township, Mich.** — The 12<sup>th</sup> annual National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) and U. S. Postal Service's Food Drive is Saturday, May 8, 2004.

Throughout the country, including right here in Macomb County, postal workers will collect non-perishable food items placed by mailboxes on May 8. Food collected in Macomb County is distributed to those in need through the Macomb Food Program's 48 pantry distribution sites.

The food drive is a critical event for the Macomb Food Program. Each year food donations collected during this event provide emergency food supplies for thousands of hungry families and individuals in Macomb County. Nearly 68,000 individuals in Macomb County were helped with emergency food in the 2003 fiscal year. Unfortunately, the amount of food received from this drive by the Food Program last year decreased by 35,000 pounds from the previous year.

The Macomb Food Program encourages everyone to support the letter carriers in their drive to help feed the hungry. **All you need to do to participate is leave non-perishable food items near your mailbox before your letter carrier arrives on Saturday, May 8.**

This event is the nation's largest one-day effort to combat hunger. Nationwide partners include the National Association of Letter Carriers, the United States Postal Service, Campbell's Soup Company, America's Second Harvest, the AFL-CIO, and the United Way.

A joint-organization/tri-county press conference will be held on Tuesday, May 4 at 10:00 a.m. at Gleaners Community Food Bank (2131 Beaufait, Detroit, MI 48207). Additional information is also available at the NALC website: [www.nacl.org](http://www.nacl.org).

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